

Remarks

Claims 1 and 3-32 are pending in this application. By this amendment, claims 1 and 24-32 are cancelled and claims 3, 10 and 19 are amended. After entry of this amendment, claims 3-23 will be pending. Reconsideration in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicant recognizes that the Examiner has not yet sent the initialed PTO Form 1449 confirming that the Examiner has considered the references submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement on June 25, 2004. As mentioned previously, the PAIR system indicates that the Information Disclosure Statement has been received by the Patent and Trademark Office. Accordingly, Applicant requests that the Examiner send the initialed PTO Form 1449 to the Applicant's representative.

Cancelled Claims 1 and 24-32

Claims 1 and 24-32 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer to expedite prosecution and/or for economic reasons. Applicants reserve all rights to pursue these and other similar claims in separate applications.

Amended Claims 3, 10 and 19

Claim 3 is amended to recite "a body having an exterior and comprising first and second housing sections" and "at least one fish attractant dispersing opening communicating from the receiver and to the exterior of the body." Claims 10 and 19 are each amended to recite "a body having an exterior and comprising first and second housing sections" and "at least one fish attractant dispersing opening communicating from the chamber and to the exterior of the body."

Rejection of Claims 3-23 Under 35 U.S.C. § 112

The Office action rejects claims 3-23 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the applicant regards as the invention. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicant submits that the amendments to claims 3, 10 and 19 are sufficient to overcome the § 112 rejection and place these claims in condition for allowance. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection as to claims 3, 10 and 19 is respectfully requested.

Claims 4-9, 11-18 and 20-23, being directly or indirectly dependent upon base claims 3, 10 and 19, respectively, are allowable for at least the same reasons as the base claims, as well as for the respective additional features recited therein. Therefore, withdrawal of the rejection as to claims 4-9, 11-18 and 20-23 is respectfully requested

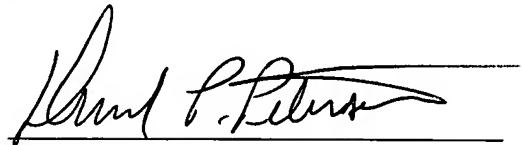
Conclusion

Based on the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the current claims are drawn to allowable subject matter and that the application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that anything further is necessary to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicant's representative by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,

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